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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 20, 2004, said period of response being extended from January 20, 2005 to February 20, 2005.

Our check in the amount of \$60.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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